

BANKING POWER OF THE NATION IS \$22,548,707,000

Comptroller Shows High Record Figures in Declaring Year's Finances Good.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Business in general, as reflected in the condition of the banks of the United States, has shared in the country's prosperity, according to Comptroller of the Currency Lawrence O. Murray in his annual report made public today.

The banking power of the nation, represented by capital, surplus, profits, deposits and circulation, reached during the year the enormous total of \$22,548,707,000, a high record, showing an increase of 5.59 per cent. over 1911 and 27.3 per cent. over 1908. Since 1900 the banking power has increased 111 per cent., or more than doubled. During the last twelve years the number of banks has increased by over 107 per cent., and the volume of business as indicated by deposits shows an increase of over 137 per cent.

The Comptroller's report consists of a mass of statistics with analyses, most of which previously have been published.

In connection with the rates on money, which recently have been soaring, the Comptroller simply observes that the rates were normal up to August, with a tightening of the money market thereafter. According to the last condition report, Sept. 4, the Comptroller points out that New York and Chicago were slightly deficient in the amount of their legal reserves and St. Louis slightly excessive. Banks in the major portion of other reserve cities were also slightly deficient, but the country banks maintained an excess of the legal requirements.

Less than 70 per cent. of the total amount of national bank notes which the national banks might circulate under the law has been issued. Based upon the Sept. 4 report, the banks might increase their circulation by \$2,107,000, Mr. Murray says.

The national banks, the report indicates, hold over 50 per cent. of the bonded debt of the United States in the way of security for circulation and public deposits and as investments. During the fiscal year 1912 the national banks paid dividends aggregating \$10,000,000, or 11.48 per cent. on capital and 4.52 per cent. on capital and surplus combined. The net earnings of \$10,000,000, were equivalent to 4.52 per cent. of capital and surplus. During the last 42 years the banks have paid an average annual dividend of 8.17 per cent. on the capital stock.

Eight national banks, with aggregate capital of \$10,000,000, failed during the year ended Oct. 31, while eighty-three national banks, with an aggregate capital of \$21,000,000, were placed in voluntary liquidation.

WALL STREET.

The stock market opened firm today, with many stocks around their closing of yesterday. Toward the end of the first hour Union Pacific, Reading, Copper and a few others became weak. There was little activity.

The day was one of the duller of the week. Most all the important stocks had fractional losses at the close.

The closing prices, of the day's highest, lowest and last prices and of the changes, as compared with yesterday's final figures, are as follows:

| Stock | High | Low | Close | Change |
|--------------------|---------|-----|---------|--------|
| Am. Corp. | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. C. & P. | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Gas | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Ice | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Lumber | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Oil | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Sugar | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Tobacco | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Tea | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Wine | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Cotton | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Wool | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Hosiery | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Shoes | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Clothing | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Furniture | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Hardware | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Drugs | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Books | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Stationery | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Printing | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Telegraph | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Telephone | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Electric | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Gas | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Water | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Power | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Transportation | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Commerce | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Finance | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Insurance | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Real Estate | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |
| Am. Miscellaneous | 115 1/2 | 115 | 115 1/2 | + |

ELECTION CHAIRMAN DIES.

Edward Hart of Essex County.

Edward Hart of Orange, N. J., chairman for years of the Essex County Board of Elections, died of pneumonia today in St. Vincent's Hospital after a two weeks' illness.

Mr. Hart was known by nearly everybody in the Orange. He weighed 300 pounds and took great delight in going to the station in a carriage constructed for his particular patronage, which was later supplanted by an automobile of generous door space. He was connected with the S. Slater & Co. woolen house in New York. Always an enthusiastic democrat, he was for fifteen years chairman of the City Committee of the party.

Falls Of Duck, Nearly Brown.

Frank Olsen, twenty-five years old, of No. 40 Pacific street, Brooklyn, fell from the dock of the Staten Island shipbuilding company at Mariners' Harbor into the Kill von Kull early today. He was unconscious when pulled out by watchman John Davis and Policemen John J. Healy and Daniel J. Quinn, and had to be taken to St. Vincent's Hospital.

Survivors of the Dashing Meagher's Irish Brigade Who Stormed Marye's Heights Fifty Years Ago



Left to Right, Sitting—Thomas Ferris, Com. John F. Cleary, Capt. E. F. O'Connor, Capt. John R. Nugent, Col. J. J. Smith, Capt. John O'Connell, Sergt. Laurence Buckley, Capt. W. L. D. O'Grady, Capt. Henry Bates. Standing—Com. John A. Butler, John F. Cronin, Major John Dwyer, Lieut. Dennis Sullivan, Com. William Birmingham, Lieut. R. H. Birmingham, Sergt. Richard Finen, Com. R. R. Ryan, Com. William Sullivan.

TWENTY-SIX PRISONERS DISPOSED OF IN A DAY BY SIX BUSY JUSTICES

Offenses Range From Stealing Pigeons to Murder in Criminal Court Cases.

Twenty-six prisoners, convicted of various crimes from murder down, were disposed of in the criminal courts of Manhattan yesterday. The dispositions made were as follows:

BY JUSTICE GOFF.
Thomas O'Donnell, thirty-four years old, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. First offense. Penitentiary four months.

BY JUDGE MULQUEEN.
John Hing, twenty-five years old, tried and convicted of murder in the first degree. Sentenced to death.

BY JUDGE FOSTER.
William Thomas, twenty-two years old, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. First offense. State Prison one year to three years and six months.

John Siano, eighteen years old, tried and convicted of receiving stolen goods. First offense. City Reformatory.

Angelo Gandolfo, nineteen years old, tried and convicted of receiving stolen goods. First offense. Elmira Reformatory.

Kenneth McAllister, twenty-two years old, pleaded guilty to carry revolver. First offense. Fined \$5.

BY JUDGE SULLIVAN.
William Jaeger, seventeen years old, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. First offense. Elmira Reformatory.

Thomas Nastro, eighteen years old, pleaded guilty to carrying burglary tools. Third offense. Penitentiary one year.

John Tivnan, twenty-five years old, tried and convicted of burglary. Third offense. Penitentiary one year.

John Nolan, twenty-one years old, pleaded guilty to carrying revolver. First offense. Fined \$5.

Vito Lorenzo, forty-one years old, pleaded guilty to carrying revolver. First offense. Sentence suspended and deported.

BY JUDGE SWANN.
Louis A. Piza, nineteen years old, pleaded guilty to petty larceny. Stole five pizzas. Second offense. Sentence suspended.

BY JUDGE CRAIN.
Charles Trokopoulos, thirty-nine years old, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. First offense. Penitentiary one year.

Albert Train, twenty-four years old, pleaded guilty to assault. First offense. Penitentiary ten months.

Thomas McQuade, twenty years old, pleaded guilty to burglary. First offense. Elmira Reformatory.

Louis Colombetti, twenty-two years old, pleaded guilty to assault on girl. First offense. Elmira Reformatory.

Joseph Joyce, twenty-two years old, pleaded guilty to attempted burglary. Third offense. State Prison, two years and six months.

John Barry, twenty-five years old; Frank Nolan, thirty-three years old; Samuel J. Busher, thirty-one years old; Walter H. Kane, thirty-four years old; John Abramo, thirty-three years old; Peter Matto, thirty-six years old; and Joseph McIntyre, forty-six years old, pleaded guilty to petty larceny. Stole 20 bags cocoa beans. First offenders. Sentence suspended.

John J. Gleason, thirty-six years old, pleaded guilty to attempted burglary. First offense. Sentence suspended.

Robert J. Brigham, twenty-six years old, pleaded guilty to grand larceny. Stole from employer. First offense. Sentence suspended.

In "At the News Stand," and Joe Jackson.

The Alhambra will have Taylor Granville in "The System." Belle Blanche in songs and impersonations. Agnes Scott in "Drifting." Lyons and Yocco, Marshall Montgomery, and others.

The bill at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre will include Dolle Dalmert, French chanteuse; Harry Fox and the Millership Sisters, and Lida McMillan in "The Late Mr. Allen" Novelty at Proctor's One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre will be "The Telephone Girls" and "The Last of the Regiment."

At the Twenty-fifth Street Theatre Sam J. Curtis in "A Session at School" will head the bill. "Movies," a satire on the moving picture craze, will be the chief feature at the Fifty-eighth Street Theatre.

On the bill at the Bronx Theatre will be Thomas A. Wise in a tabloid version of "The Gentleman From Mississippi," Juliet in character impersonations, Lee White and George Perry, and Hoey and Lee.

Among others at Keith's Union Square Theatre will be Mme. Olga Petrova in dramatic impersonations, James Thornton with new stories, Ella Strada and Fred Derrick, circus riders, and Leona Thurber and Harry Madison in "On a Shopping Tour."

VAUDEVILLE ATTRACTIONS.
At Hammerstein's will be Lillian Lorraine in songs, Chang Ling Foo, the magician; Bert Leslie in "Hogan the Painter," McWaters and Tyson, and others.

Zelda Sears in the "Wardrobe Woman" will head the bill at the Colonial, where others will be Eddie Leonard and Mable Russell in a singing and dancing number, Pat Rooney and Marion Bent.

**NEW CORT THEATRE
AND THREE PLAYS
OPEN NEXT WEEK**

"Chains," "The Conspiracy" and "Peg o' My Heart" to Be Seen.

"CHAINS," an English play by Elizabeth Baker that has been made to suit American conditions by Porter Emerson Browne, will be produced at the Criterion Theatre on Monday afternoon. The play is based upon the idea that in every great, overcrowded city are clerks, shop girls and others just barely holding down jobs, and always among them are certain rebels who in character, ability and ambition are above their surroundings, only they cannot break away because one has a wife to support, another an aged mother to keep alive, still another an unhealthy brother to save—the neck of each is a chain; the individual is chained to the family; the sentimental responsibilities invented by modern society prohibit the strong from leaving the weak, the ambitious from deserting the unhealthy. In the cast will be Olive Wyndham, Desmond Kelly, Ruth Boyce, Mrs. Thomas Whitten, Shelly Hull, Clifford Bruce, Edwin Alexander, and others.

The opening of the new Cort Theatre in West Forty-eighth street on Friday night will mark the first appearance here as a star of Laurette Taylor, who is to appear in "Peg o' My Heart," a comedy by J. Hartley Manners. The play depicts the social adventures of a young Irish girl, the daughter of an improvident Irishman and an aristocratic Englishwoman on whom her relatives turned their backs when she set out for America with the husband of her choice. Brought up in poverty and suddenly introduced to affluence in a snobbish English family, into which she is sent through the conditional terms of an uncle's will which makes her an heiress, Peg encounters sharp contrasts of character and manner which lead to humorous situations. Miss Taylor's support will include H. Reeves-Smith, Hassard Short, Reginald Mason, Clarence Handyside, Prier Basset.

"The Rivals" will be revived by Annie Russell's Old English Comedy Company at the Thirty-ninth Street Theatre on Monday night. Miss Russell will be Lydia Langham; Frank Foster, Malaprop; George Giddens, Bob Acres, and other roles will be taken by Frank Reicher, Fred Perlman, Percy Lyndal and John Westley.

"The Red Petticoat" will be taken from Daly's to the Broadway Theatre on Monday night. The Metropolitan Opera Company, will be the soloist, and Mr. Stranisky and his orchestra will be assisted by the male chorus of the Arion Society.

"The Nigger" will be played by the stock company at the Harlem Opera House.

Sam Howe brings his "Lovers" to the Columbia.

At the Murray Hill Theatre will be "The Merry-Go-Rounders."

Clark's "Runaway Girls" come to Hurling & Heamon's.

"Yankee Doodle Girls" will be at Miner's Eighth Avenue Theatre. At the People's Theatre will be "The New Century Girls." Miner's Theatre in the Bronx will have "The Bohemian Bachelors."

PHILHARMONIC'S MEMORIAL CONCERTS TO MR. PULITZER.
The Philharmonic Society's concert at Carnegie Hall on next Thursday evening and Friday afternoon will be a memorial to Joseph Pulitzer, by whose will the organization is to inherit \$1,000,000. The programme will consist of Beethoven's first symphony, the death scene and funeral march from "Goetterdaemmerung," the "Piano Concerto" from "Die Meistersinger," and Liszt's "Faust" symphony. Beethoven, Wagner and Liszt being Mr. Pulitzer's favorite composers. Karl Jarn, of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be the soloist, and Mr. Stranisky and his orchestra will be assisted by the male chorus of the Arion Society.

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